

CHAPTER 179

[Senate Bill No. 3039]

ALCOHOL FUEL—TRANSFERS BETWEEN PLANTS, DENATURED
REQUIREMENT, EXCLUSION

AN ACT Relating to alcohol fuel; and amending section 2, chapter 140, Laws of 1980 and RCW 66.12.130.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Section 1. Section 2, chapter 140, Laws of 1980 and RCW 66.12.130 are each amended to read as follows:

Nothing in this title shall apply to or prevent the sale, importation, purchase, production, or blending of alcohol used solely for fuel to be used in motor vehicles, farm implements, and machines or implements of husbandry or in combination with gasoline or other petroleum products for use as such fuel. Manufacturers and distillers of such alcohol fuel are not required to obtain a license under this title. Alcohol which is produced for use as fuel shall be denatured in accordance with a formula approved by the federal bureau of alcohol, tobacco and firearms prior to the removal of the alcohol from the premises as described in the approved federal permit application; PROVIDED, That alcohol which is being transferred between plants involved in the distillation or manufacture of alcohol fuel need not be denatured if it is transferred in accordance with federal bureau of alcohol, tobacco and firearms regulation 27 CFR 19.996 as existing on the effective date of this 1981 act. The exemptions from the state liquor control laws provided by this section only apply to distillers and manufacturers of alcohol to be used solely for fuel as long as the manufacturers and distillers are the holders of an appropriate permit issued under federal law.

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CHAPTER 180

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3046]

PARTISAN ELECTIVE OFFICES, VACANCIES

AN ACT Relating to vacancies in partisan elective offices; amending section 2, page 28, Laws of 1866 as amended by section 3063, Code of 1881 and RCW 42.12.010; amending section 6, page 30, Laws of 1866 as amended by section 3066, Code of 1881 and RCW 42.12.030; and adding new sections to chapter 29.18 RCW.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

NEW SECTION. Section 1. There is added to chapter 29.18 RCW a new section to read as follows:

If a vacancy occurs in any partisan elective office in the executive or legislative branches of state government or in any partisan county elective office before the fourth Tuesday prior to the primary for the next general election following the occurrence of the vacancy, a successor shall be elected to that office at that general election. Except during the last year of the term of office, if such a vacancy occurs on or after the fourth Tuesday prior to the primary for that general election, the election of the successor shall occur at the next succeeding general election. The elected successor shall hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term. This section shall not apply to any vacancy occurring in a charter county which has charter provisions inconsistent with this section.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. There is added to chapter 29.18 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Filings for a partisan elective office shall be opened for a period of three normal business days whenever, on or after the first day of the regular filing period and before the fourth Tuesday prior to a primary, a vacancy occurs in that office, leaving an unexpired term to be filled by an election for which filings have not been held.

Any such special three-day filing period shall be fixed by the election officer with whom declarations of candidacy for that office are filed. The election officer shall give notice of the special three-day filing period by notifying the press, radio, and television in the county or counties involved, and by such other means as may be required by law.

Candidacies validly filed within the special three-day filing period shall appear on the primary ballot as if filed during the regular filing period.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. There is added to chapter 29.18 RCW a new section to read as follows:

Where a vacancy occurs in any partisan county elective office, other than a member of the county legislative authority, the county legislative authority may appoint an employee that was serving as a deputy or assistant in such office at the time the vacancy occurred as an acting official to perform all necessary duties to continue normal office operations. The acting official will serve until a successor is either elected or appointed as required by law. This section does not apply to any vacancy occurring in a charter county which has charter provisions inconsistent with this section.

Sec. 4. Section 2, page 28, Laws of 1866 as amended by section 3063, Code of 1881 and RCW 42.12.010 are each amended to read as follows:

Every elective office shall become vacant on the happening of ~~((either))~~ any of the following events ~~((before the expiration of the term of such officer. First,))~~:

(1) The death of the incumbent; ~~((second,))~~

(2) His or her resignation. A vacancy caused by resignation shall be deemed to occur upon the effective date of the resignation; ~~((third,))~~

(3) His or her removal; (~~fourth~~);

(4) His or her ceasing to be (~~an inhabitant~~) a legally qualified elector of the district, county, city, town (~~or village for~~), or other municipal or quasi municipal corporation from which he or she shall have been elected or appointed (~~, or within which the duties of his office are to be discharged~~); (~~fifth~~);

(5) His or her conviction of (~~an infamous crime~~) a felony, or of any offense involving a violation of his or her official oath; (~~sixth~~);

(6) His or her refusal or neglect to take his or her oath of office, or to give or renew his or her official bond, or to deposit such oath or bond within the time prescribed by law; (~~seventh~~);

(7) The decision of a competent tribunal declaring void his or her election or appointment; (~~eighth~~); or

(8) Whenever a judgment shall be obtained against (~~such officer~~) that incumbent for breach of the condition of his or her official bond.

Sec. 5. Section 6, page 30, Laws of 1866 as amended by section 3066, Code of 1881 and RCW 42.12.030 are each amended to read as follows:

Whenever any officer resigns his office before the expiration of his term, or the office becomes vacant from any other cause, and at a subsequent special election such vacancy is filled, the person so elected to fill such vacancy shall (~~not hold the office any longer than the original incumbent who resigned would have been entitled to hold the office~~) hold office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. If any provision of this act, or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the act, or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances is not affected.

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CHAPTER 181

[Engrossed Senate Bill No. 3049]

HOSPITAL PATIENT CARE QUALITY REVIEW COMMITTEES, CIVIL IMMUNITY—HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS, STAFF PRIVILEGE REVOCATION, RECORDS CONFIDENTIALITY

AN ACT Relating to health care institutions' confidentiality of records; and amending section 1, chapter 144, Laws of 1971 ex. sess. as last amended by section 1, chapter 17, Laws of 1979 and RCW 4.24.250.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington: